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The Story of The Once-ler and The Lorax

A Children's
Workbook
For
Conserving
Resources
With Help
From Dr. Seuss



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The Once-ler & The Lorax

A Children's Workbook For Conserving Resources

Dr. Seuss's classic story of The Lorax describes a beautiful land of green grass and Truffula Trees and Swomee-Swans. And how a greedy character called the Once-ler chopped down the Truffula Trees so he could make money by knitting clothes called Thneeds.

The Lorax (the friend of the trees) asked the Once-ler (a person who uses things just once) to save the Truffula Trees. But the Once-ler ignored the Lorax and chopped down ALL the trees.



Soon the green grass turned grey, and the blue skies turned dark, and the Swomee-Swans flew away because there were no more trees. All that was left behind was a rock carved with the word "Unless".

One day a child came to the land and wondered what the word "Unless" meant. And the sad Once-ler told him the word meant,

"That unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not."

And seeing that the child DID care, the Once-ler gave the child the last Truffula seed.



"You are in charge of the last of the Truffula seeds. And Truffula trees are what everyone needs.

Plant a new Truffula.
Treat it with care.
Give it clean water.
And give it fresh air.
Grow a forest.
Protect it from axes
that hack.

Then the Lorax and all of his friends may come back."

open the pages to complete the exercises



The Once-ler thought the Truffula Trees were beautiful. Their tufts were soft and silky. So he cut some down and made clothes for everyone. But the Once-ler and the people who bought the clothes didn't think about saving the trees. Before long the trees were gone. The grass was not green and the water not clean. The animals left and the people were sad. A child asked how did that happen? The Once-ler said it was because nobody cared an awful lot.

(A Once-ler uses things just once)

How NOT to be a Once-ler

Fill in the blanks with your ideas

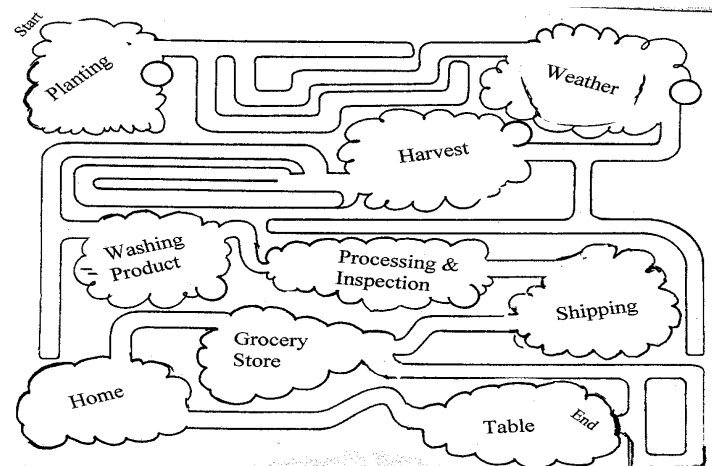
Think about what you need for tomorrow

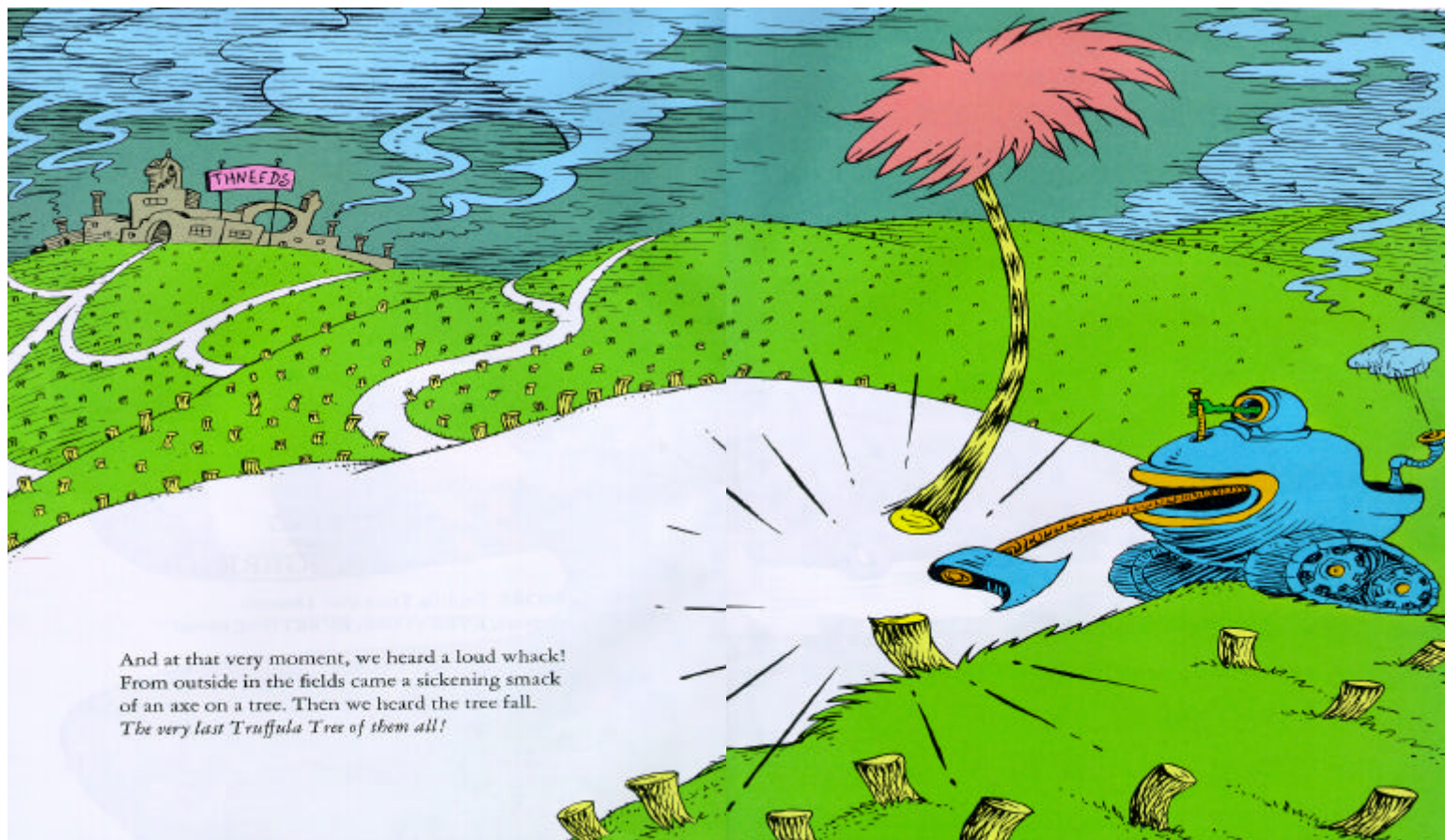
Save a little something every day

The Food Cycle Maze

Travel from Start to End
to find out how your food
gets to your dinner table.
Count the many stops
along the way.

Farmers *Plant* the seed
The *Weather* may hurt the crop
Picking or *Harvesting* the raw
food
Washing the raw food
Processing at a factory
Shipping to a store
Grocery Store sells to public
Home comes the food





The Truffula Trees are like Utah's farmland. If we use it all up, we won't have any for tomorrow. Utah farm and ranch land is where our food comes from. Wild animals such as deer and geese live on that land. The open land cleans the water we drink as it soaks underground. The grass and trees on the land give off oxygen that helps clean the air. Wool clothes and leather shoes come from the sheep and cattle that graze on the land.

Protecting Utah Farmland Protects These Resources:

Fill in the blanks with things produced on Utah farmland
Our food supply

Land for wild animals to live

Word Find

Circle the words telling about farmland resources.

rancher wildlife water farmer reuse
clean air clothes food farmland

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